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APPLICANTS: John Kevin Collins *et al.*

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FOR: PROBIOTIC STRAINS FROM
LACTOBACILLUS SALIVARIUS AND
ANTIMICROBIAL AGENTS OBTAINED
THEREFROM

DECLARATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.32

Assistant Commissioner of Patents

Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

I, Atte von Wright, a Finnish citizen, am presently employed at the University of Kuopio, PO Box 1627, FIN-70211, Kuopio, Finland, where I am a Professor of Nutrition and Food Biotechnology. My *Curriculum Vitae* is attached hereto. I do solemnly and sincerely declare as follows:

1. I have read the Office Action dated June 19, 2001, each of the three cited references and a copy of the specification of the above U.S. Application.

2. I have also read a draft of the Declaration to be made by Dr. Liam O'Mahony by way of response and I fully agree with the statements contained in that Declaration as regards the cited references relied on by the Examiner.
3. In my view that novel and inventive approach taken by Collins *et al.* to isolate *Lactobacillus salivarius* strains with potential application to human healthcare was unprecedented.
4. The stains of *Lactobacillus salivarius* isolated by Collins *et al.* from appendices and sections of the large and small intestine of the human gastrointestinal tract obtained during reconstructive surgery represents a significant departure from previous methods for isolating probiotic bacteria.

I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are believed to be true, and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the Application or any patent issued thereon.

December 12, 2001

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Curriculum Vitae

Family name: Von Wright

Christian names: Atte Johannes

Date and Place of Birth: February 27, 1952, Kuopio, Finland

Social security number: 270252-157H

Marital status: Married with three children (22,19 and 15 years)

Current position: Professor of Nutritional and Food Biotechnology, Institute of Applied Biotechnology, University of Kuopio, from January 1 st, 2000 onwards.

Education and training:

- Matriculation examination, May 31, 1971, Kuopion lyseo, Kuopio, Finland
- Graduated from the University of Helsinki, Helsinki, Finland, on November 11, 1975 with General Microbiology as the main subject

Post graduate studies:

- Degree of Licentiate of Philosophy, University of Helsinki, May, 25, 1978
- PhD, University of Sussex, England, July 21, 1981 (Thesis *The response of Escherichia coli to DNA damage*, supervisor Professor Bryn A. Bridges)

Special courses:

- Basic university course in Mathematics (approbatur level), University of Helsinki, 1988
- Basic university course in Computer Science (approbatur level), University of Kuopio, Kuopio, Finland, 1990
- Basic university course in Physics (approbatur level), University of Kuopio, Finland, 1995
- Special training course in Gene Technology, University of Helsinki (October 29 - November 16, 1984)
- Genetic Manipulation of Streptomyces, European Molecular Biology Organization-Course, John Innes Institute, Norwich, England; July 14-28, 1990
- Comett II, Modern Biotechnological Tools in Industrial Research and Development, Module V: Microbial Physiology and Industrial Fermentation, January 24-28, 1994, Technical University of Denmark, Lyngby, Denmark

Scientific interests:

- Genetic toxicology and mechanisms of mutagenesis
- Genetics and molecular biology of lactic acid bacteria
- Natural bioactive compounds
- Probiotics and prebiotics
- Food safety and hygiene

Visits:

- TNO-Centraal Instituut voor Voedingsonderzoek, Zeist, The Netherlands; Trainee January 1st-May, 15; 1977
- University of Sussex, MRC Cell Mutation Unit, Sussex, England; Post-graduate student; November 1st, 1978 - November 15, 1980
- The Public Health Research Laboratory of The City of New York, and Department of Food Microbiology, University of Minnesota, Minneapolis-St.Paul; Visiting scientist, August 4, 1983 - April 30, 1984
- The Royal Veterinary and Agricultural University of Denmark, Dept. of Dairy and Food Science, Frederiksberg, Denmark; Temporary Associate Professor July 1st, 1992-June 30, 1993.

Previous appointment:

- Scientist in Technical Research Centre of Finland (VTT), Food Research Laboratory, September 1976 - April 1983, specializing in the genetic toxicology of foods.
- Senior Scientist in The Research and Development Centre of Valio Finnish Cooperative Dairies' Association specializing in the gene technology of lactic acid bacteria; May 1983 - April 1989.
- Senior Research Fellow in University of Kuopio, Dept. of Pharmaceutical Chemistry specializing in the bioactive compounds of microbial origin; May 1989 - August 1995 (with one year absent because of the visit to the Royal Veterinary and Agricultural University of Denmark)
- Senior Research Scientist (Group Manager from January 1996 onwards) in VTT Biotechnology and Food Research, September 1995 - July 1998.
- Planning Professor, University of Kuopio, Department of Biochemistry and Biotechnology with a special task to plan a new academic curriculum (Nutrition and Food Biotechnology). Located from January 1st 1999 onwards in a new department, Institute of Applied Biotechnology. August 1998 - December 1999

Functions as a teacher:

- Docent (Senior reader) in general microbiology, University of Helsinki, Department of General Microbiology, May 1982 onwards
- Docent in microbial genetics, University of Kuopio, Department of Biochemistry and Biotechnology, October 1st, 1990 - March 31, 1996
- Docent in the biotechnology of microbial bioactive compounds, University of Kuopio, Department of Pharmaceutical Chemistry, April 1st, 1996 onwards

Supervision of completed PhD projects:

- **Stephen Wessels**, 1993, Food grade genetic modification of dairy bacteria (The Royal Veterinary and Agricultural University, Frederiksberg, Denmark)
- **Soile Tynkkynen**, 1994, Molecular characterization of the oligopeptide transport system of *Lactococcus lactis* (University of Helsinki)
- **Jussi Holmalahti**, 1998, Further characterization of antitumour antibiotics from *Streptomyces* strains (University of Kuopio)
- **Anne Gravesen**, 1996, Replication and incompatibility of lactococcal theta-replicating plasmids (The Royal Veterinary and Agricultural University, Frederiksberg, Denmark)
- **Pia Kontula**, 1999, *In vitro* and *in vivo* characterization of potential probiotic lactic acid bacteria and prebiotic carbohydrates (University of Helsinki)

Supervised also four Finnish Licentiate of Philosophy thesis, and twenty Finnish graduation projects. Acted as a referee for eleven Finnish PhD-thesis and as an external examiner ("opponent") for one Swedish, one Irish, one Dutch and six Finnish PhD-thesis.

Expert functions:

Expert of the Finnish Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry for the evaluation of microbial feed additives

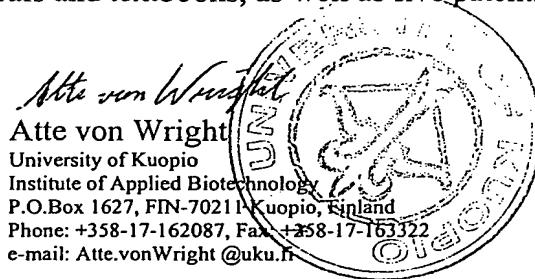
Member of the EU DGXII Scientific Committee on Animal Nutrition (SCAN), from November 1997 onwards.

Member of the Finnish Novel Food Board from 2000 onwards

Publications:

Altogether 63 accepted original research articles and twelve reviews in international refereed publications. Acted both as a writer and an editor for four textbooks, two of which are in international circulation. In addition there are 19 reviews, research reports, and short research papers in Finnish periodicals and textbooks, as well as five patents.

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List of Publications

1. Scientific Publications

1. **Atte von Wright, Aimo Niskanen and Heikki Pyysalo:** The toxicities and mutagenic properties of ethylidene gyromitrin and N-methylhydrazine with *Escherichia coli* as test organism. **Mutation Research** (1977) 56:105-110.
2. **Atte von Wright, Aimo Niskanen, Heikki Pyysalo and Heikki Korpela:** The toxicity of some N-methyl-N-formylhydrazone and related compounds in mice and microbial tests. **Toxicology and Applied Pharmacology** (1978) 45:429-434.
3. **Atte von Wright, Aimo Niskanen and Heikki Pyysalo:** Mutagenic properties of ethylidene gyromitrin and its metabolites in microsomal activation tests and in host-mediated assay. **Mutation Research** (1978) 54:167-173.
4. **Atte von Wright, Heikki Pyysalo and Aimo Niskanen:** Quantitative evaluation of the metabolic formation of methylhydrazine from acetaldehyde- N-methyl-N-formylhydrazone, the main poisonous compound of *Gyromitra esculenta*. **Toxicology Letters** (1978) 35: 261-265.
5. **Seppo Lindroth and Atte von Wright:** Comparison of the toxicities of patulin and patulin adducts formed with cysteine. **Applied and Environmental Microbiology** (1978) 35: 1003-1007.
6. **Atte von Wright and Seppo Lindroth:** The lack of mutagenic properties of patulin and patulin adducts formed with cysteine in *Salmonella* test system. **Mutation Research** (1978) 58:211-215.
7. **Atte von Wright and Leena Tikkanen:** The comparative mutagenicities of hydrazine and its mono- and dimethyl derivatives in bacterial test systems. **Mutation Research** (1980) 78: 17-23.
8. **Atte von Wright and Leena Tikkanen:** Hydrazine and methylhydrazine as *recA*⁺ independent mutagens in *Escherichia coli*. **Mutation Research** (1980) 71: 269-271.
9. **Atte von Wright and Bryn A. Bridges:** Mutagenesis of lambda phage by *tif*-expression or host irradiation functions is largely independent of damage in phage DNA. **Mutation Research** (1980) 74:325-328
10. **Atte von Wright and Bryn A. Bridges:** Effect of *tif*-expression, irradiation of the recipient and presence of plasmid pKM101 on recovery of a marker from a donor exposed to ultraviolet light prior to conjugation. **Journal of General Microbiology** (1980) 119: 327-331.
11. **Atte von Wright and Bryn A. Bridges:** Effect of *gyrB* mediated changes in chromosome structure on killing of *Escherichia coli* by ultraviolet light: Experiments with strains differing in deoxyribonucleic acid repair capacity. **Journal of Bacteriology** (1981) 146: 18-23.

12. **Bryn A. Bridges and Atte von Wright:** Influence of mutations at the *rep* gene on the survival of *Escherichia coli* following ultraviolet light irradiation or 8-methoxypsoralen photosensitization. **Mutation Research** (1981) 82:229-238.
13. **Atte von Wright:** Hydrazine and methylhydrazine as *recA*⁺ independent mutagens in *Escherichia coli*. **Chromosome Damage and Repair**, Proceedings of EMBO Lecture Course in Bergen, May 27-June 5, 1980. Plenum Press (1981) 517-520.
14. **Atte von Wright, Aimo Niskanen, Heikki Pyysalo and Heikki Korpela:** Amelioration of the toxic effects of ethylidene gyromitrin (false morel poison) with pyridoxine chloride. **Journal of Food Safety** (1981) 3:199-203.
15. **Jorma Knuutinen and Atte von Wright:** The mutagenicity of *Lactarius* mushrooms. **Mutation Research** (1982) 103:115-118.
16. **Atte von Wright, Jorma Knuutinen, Seppo Lindroth, Markku Pellinen, Karl-Gustav Widen and Eeva-Liisa Seppä** (1982) The mutagenicity of some edible mushrooms in Ames test. **Food and Chemical Toxicology** (1982) 20: 265-267.
17. **Karin Autio, Atte von Wright and Heikki Pyysalo:** The effect of oxidation of the sulfur atom on the mutagenicity of ethylenethiourea. **Mutation Research** (1982) 106:27-31.
18. **Tapani Suortti and Atte von Wright:** Isolation of a mutagenic fraction from aqueous extracts of the wild mushroom *Lactarius necator* (a preliminary note). **Journal of Chromatography** (1983) 285:529-532.
19. **Tapani Suortti, Atte von Wright and Ari Koskinen:** Necatorin, a highly mutagenic compound from *Lactarius necator*. **Phytochemistry** (1983) 22:2873-2874.
20. **Atte von Wright and Tapani Suortti :** Preliminary characterization of the mutagenic properties of "necatorin", a strongly mutagenic compound of the mushroom *Lactarius necator*. **Mutation Research** (1983) 121:103-106.
21. **Raija Kallonen, Atte von Wright, Leena Tikkanen and Kirsti Kaustia:** The toxicity of fire effluents from textiles and upholstery materials. **Journal of Fire Sciences** (1985) 3:145-160.
22. **Atte von Wright, Anna-Maija Taimisto and Seppo Sivelä:** Effect of Ca²⁺ ions on plasmid transformation of *Streptococcus lactis* protoplasts. **Applied and Environmental Microbiology** (1985) 50:1100-1102.
23. **Atte von Wright, Martin Suominen and Seppo Sivelä :** Identification of lactose fermentation plasmids of streptococcal dairy starter strains by Southern hybridization. **Letters in Applied Microbiology** (1986) 2:73-76.
24. **Atte von Wright and Soile Tynkkynen:** Construction of *Streptococcus lactis* subsp. *lactis* strains with a single plasmid associated with mucoid phenotype. **Applied and Environmental Microbiology** (1987) 53:1385-1386.
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27. **Soile Tynkkynen and Atte von Wright:** Characterization of a cloned chromosomal fragment associated with the ability to grow in milk. **Biochimie** (1988) 70: 531-534.
28. **Soile Tynkkynen, Atte von Wright and Eeva-Liisa Syväoja:** Peptide utilization coded by *Lactococcus lactis* subsp. *lactis* chromosomal DNA. **Applied and Environmental Microbiology** (1989) 55:2690-2695.
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30. **Mervi Sibakov, Teija Koivula, Atte von Wright and Ilkka Palva:** Secretion of TEM-β-lactamase with signal sequences isolated from the chromosome of *Lactococcus lactis* subsp. *lactis* . **Applied and Environmental Microbiology** (1991) 57:341-348.
31. **Atte von Wright, Olavi Raatikainen, Hannu Taipale, Sirpa Kärenlampi and Jorma Mäki-Paakkanen:** Directly acting geno- and cytotoxic agents from a wild mushroom *Dermocybe sanguinea* . **Mutation Research** (1992) 269: 27-33.
32. **Weng Hua Ling, Osmo Hänninen, Hannu Mykkänen, M. Heikura, Seppo Salminen and Atte von Wright:** Colonization and fecal enzyme activities after oral Lactobacillus GG administration in elderly nursing home residents. **Annals of Nutrition and Metabolism** (1992) 36: 162-166.
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product: Effects on the gastrointestinal microbiota. **Applied Microbiology and Biotechnology** (1998) 50: 246-252.

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